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Kaylee's Korner

Trunk or Treat

The night before Halloween, the Sunset Church of Christ organized an **outreach** based "**Trunk or Treat**" for the **community of Lubbock**. As a part of it, they asked the AlMers to participate by manning two themed photostations for the children. One was "superhero" themed while the other was "princess (and prince)" themed. That night we dressed up into our respective costumes and interacted with kids and adults alike, most of whom were not members of the Sunset congregation, but just a part of the surrounding community. The event as a whole was a huge success, more than any of us anticipated as **more than 2000 people** came!



Blessings from God

I have been learning so much since joining AIM. I have been **stretched** and **challenged** in ways I never anticipated, and I am so thankful for this experience being here. I know that I am getting skills and training that will serve me in my personal walk with God as well as when I share the gospel with others on the field, but more importantly, for the rest of my life. I feel so **blessed** to be here in this place because I know that this was the best place for me to go to grow in my **relationship** with God and my **maturity** as a person.

Thanksgiving

We were given one week off to celebrate **Thanksgiving**. Some of us went home to celebrate with their families, others piggybacked with them and spent Thanksgiving with their friend's families, and some stayed in Lubbock. I spent Thanksgiving with my friend and classmate, Jaqui.

We divided our time visiting her hometown, **Borger**, **TX**, and the town where her family currently lives, **Pecos**, **TX**.

For me it is always interesting to see other families and how they interact compared to my own family's dynamic.

As a naturally shy person, I was really pushed out of my comfort zone. However, all in all it was a great experience.

Verse of the Month

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 NIV

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AIM at Shallowater

This month we have begun a **new** activity on Wednesday nights. We will be visiting various congregations in and around Lubbock to **promote** the Adventures in Missions program to the youth as well as emphasize missions in general and the importance of pursuing a Christ-centered life even as a teen and young adult.

The first church we visited was in **Shallowater**, a suburb of sorts to Lubbock. It was very cool visiting that congregation and meeting its members, especially its **youth group**. I'm excited to see what comes from the seeds planted there!



Life Transformation Groups

In our **Spiritual Disciplines** class, we have been learning and practicing different modes or spiritual formation and discipline in our lives. One of these is having **accountability partners**, called LTGs (Life Transformation Groups), which are groups of two to three people who meet once a week, pray for each other, read scripture together, encourage one another, and hold each other accountable.

Prayer Requests

I'm asking that you pray that I and all my classmates remember why we came to AIM; that we would continue to be open to growth and new and hard experiences. We are reaching the half-way mark of our training period in Lubbock and need encouragement to not grow weary in doing good because in do season we will reap a harvest if we don't give up!

Looking Forward

Job Play

One of the teachers for the ladies' Bible classes in the Sunset congregation commissioned our AIM class to perform a play she wrote based on the story of Job for her class and anyone else interested. This is a very unique experience and opportunity to share the Bible in a new way. I am very excited for how this will turn out and what God will do with it if we let Him do what he does best!

Team Selections Update

After much waiting and praying, within the next three weeks we will finally find out our teams and fields! The staff will be finalizing the selections for the teams and fields. This whole process has been covered in so much prayer and planning that all I can do is wait patiently and trust that God is in control, as hard as that is sometimes.

Thank you

Thank you for everyone's prayers and encouragement. I could not be here if not for your generous support (financially, emotionally, and prayerfully)! I thank God for everyone supporting me, even if it is just reading my newsletters and responding with a quick note is so encouraging. I am so thankful for you all!